

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:	Jing Xiang et al.	§	Art Unit:	2139
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Serial No.:	10/791,414	§		
		§	Examiner:	Amare F. Tabor
Filed:	March 3, 2004	§		
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For:	Technique for Maintaining	§	Atty. Dkt. No.:	NRT.0124US
	Secure Network Connections	§		(16483BAUS01U)

**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED FEBRUARY 9, 2009

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of February 9, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.